

Potential Flats Sequencing System (FSS) Pricing Structure Discussion

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- Flats Sequencing System (FSS) Optional prep introduced January 2, 2011
 - DMM section 705.14.0

Benefits – then and today:

- Produce larger, more uniform bundles using less straps & polywrap
- □ FSS scheme bundles align with FSS sorting programs
- FSS scheme pallets flow directly to the FSS mail prep (SAMP)
- FSS scheme pallets bypass bundle distribution improving cycle time and reduces potential for bundle breakage and added handlings
- □ FSS facility pallets enable managing batting order of FSS zones queued for bundle distribution, maximizing the number of flats available for FSS sorting
- End-to-End visibility leverages use of data
- Creates lowest-combined-cost system



FSS Mail Prep Matrix

Pallet Description	Bundle Make-up	Mail Flow (1st handling)
FSS Scheme Pallet All bundles on pallet for same FSS sort program	Bundles prepared for a single FSS sort program	Stand Alone Mail Prep (SAMP) Bypasses all bundle distribution
FSS Facility Pallet Pallet contains bundles for any or all FSS sort programs processed in FSS site	Bundles prepared for a single FSS sort program	APPS / APBS Enables managing batting order of FSS zones and queue for bundle distribution
Other Presort Pallets or Sacks May contain FSS scheme bundles along with other presorted bundles	Automation compatible bundles CR-RT, 5-D, FSS scheme and SCF	APPS / APBS



Potential FSS Pricing – For Discussion Only

- ☐ Encourage entry at FSS facility
 - Establish DFSS (FSS facility) entry rate structure
 - No pallet charge for scheme pallets at DFSS
- □ Allow Periodicals, Standard Mail, and BPM bundles on same pallets (at Standard Mail service standards)
- Prices unchanged with less sortation and prep required
 - Mail continues to pay same 5D or CR price that it qualifies for today
 - If we introduce a single FSS piece price, CR mail would pay more than it does today
- ☐ FSS bundle and container prep required in FSS zones
 - FSS scheme bundle allowed at any container presort level e.g. MADC, ADC, 3D, SCF, FSS
 - FSS scheme bundle allowed entry at Origin, DNDC, DADC, DSCF, DFSS
 - No minimum for FSS scheme bundles, when drop shipped at DFSS
 - Only HD, HD Plus and Saturation entered at DDUs



Additional Clarification

At this time...

- Enables drop shipment of FSS scheme containers directly to FSS facility
 - Critical Entry Time 11:00 AM
- FSS facility pallet remains optional
- Pallet minimums same as with existing operational FSS prep
- Propose In-county Periodicals remain unchanged
 - Outside county (for FSS zones) up to 5,000 pieces unchanged
- □ FIRM bundle prep and price requirements unchanged
- Service Standards unchanged (unless mixed class comail)



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